





MACFADYENA UNGUIS-CATI

Cat's Claw Vine

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

 Attracts hummingbirds

 Native to S. America



Why we love it...

If you have a hot west or south-facing wall that you'd like to soften with greenery, then Cat's Claw Vine is one of the only flowering, climbing vines that will fit the bill. Named for the 3-pronged, claw-like tendrils that are capable of grasping almost any surface, Cat's Claw Vine can easily scramble up most walls without the aid of a support system. Early spring brings a short but intense flush of brilliant yellow, trumpet-shaped flowers that are quite large and showy. They are remarkably drought tolerant, with established plants putting on vigorous growth, despite being watered by annual rainfall alone.



Lydia says: Catclaw Vine tends to put on more growth near the ends of branches, leaving lower portions of the plant bare. After spring flowering is finished, cut several stems to the ground to refresh lower foliage.

Semi-evergreen Vine: *Macfadyena unguis-cati*

Size (H x W): 25+ feet (with support) x 25+ feet

Blooms: Large yellow flowers in early spring

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: 20° F, USDA Zone 9

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: Late winter

Growth Rate: Moderate to fast



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